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Corps awards contract to build National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency

BALTIMORE — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, has awarded a contract to Clark/Balfour Beatty-NGA, a joint venture, to construct the National Geospatial- Intelligence Agency's New Campus East at Fort Belvoir's Engineer Proving Ground.

The contract, which the Corps awarded Aug. 10, was issued in accordance with the Department of Defense Base Realignment and Closure actions that became law November 2005. It also adheres to the U.S. Army's Aug. 7, 2007, Record of Decision for BRAC and related actions at Fort Belvoir.

NGA will consolidate their eastern operations in the new facility by Sept. 15, 2011. The awarded contract, which resulted from a solicitation issued on April 16, 2007 for full and open competition, uses an acquisition strategy developed by the Corps called "Integrated Design-Bid-Build," in which the construction contract is awarded early in the design phase of the project. This strategy allows for an initial period of construction integration services, a collaborative effort between the designer and the construction contractor to optimize project cost and schedule as the design is completed.

The contract is structured as a base bid with several bid options that may be selected by the government either at the time of initial award or during a specified ordering period. The initial award, worth \$334 million, was for construction integration phase services and for construction related to site work, the central utility plant and other supporting facilities.

NGA is a Department of Defense combat support agency and a member of the National Intelligence Community. The Agency's mission is to provide timely, relevant and accurate geospatial intelligence in support of our national security. The term "geospatial intelligence" means the exploitation and analysis of imagery and geospatial information to describe, assess and visually depict physical features and geographically referenced activities on the Earth. Geospatial intelligence consists of imagery, imagery intelligence and geospatial (e.g., mapping, charting and geodesy) information.

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